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FOR : SECRETED SOLUBLE ALPHA2DELTA-2, ALPHA2DELTA-3 OR  
ALPHA2DELTA-4 CALCIUM CHANNEL SUBUNIT POLYPEPTIDES AND SCREENING  
ASSAYS USING SAME

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This letter is responsive to the Office Action issued in the captioned application on December 6, 2000, Paper No. 6.

Claims 1-22 were presented for examination. The Examiner has set forth a requirement for restriction under 35 USC 121 as follows:

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| Group I   | Claims 1-7 and 9-12. |
| Group II  | Claim 8.             |
| Group III | Claims 13-15 and 22. |
| Group IV  | Claims 16-21.        |

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Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, Claims 1-7 and 9-12, for further examination. Given the Examiner's well reasoned basis for the requirement for restriction, and in an effort to gain prompt allowance, Applicants make the election of Group I without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,



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